

1 AN ACT in relation to aging.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons
5 Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act is
6 amended by changing Section 5 as follows:

7 (320 ILCS 25/5) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 405)

8 Sec. 5. Procedure.

9 (a) In general. Claims must be filed after January 1,
10 on forms prescribed by the Department. No claim may be filed
11 more than one year after December 31 of the year for which
12 the claim is filed except that claims for 1976 may be filed
13 until December 31, 1978. The pharmaceutical assistance
14 identification card provided for in subsection (f) of Section
15 4 shall be valid for a period not to exceed one year.

16 (b) Claim is Personal. The right to file a claim under
17 this Act shall be personal to the claimant and shall not
18 survive his death, but such right may be exercised on behalf
19 of a claimant by his legal guardian or attorney-in-fact. If
20 a claimant dies after having filed a timely claim, the amount
21 thereof shall be disbursed to his surviving spouse or, if no
22 spouse survives, to his surviving dependent minor children in
23 equal parts, provided the spouse or child, as the case may
24 be, resided with the claimant at the time he filed his claim.
25 If at the time of disbursement neither the claimant nor his
26 spouse is surviving, and no dependent minor children of the
27 claimant are surviving the amount of the claim shall escheat
28 to the State.

29 (c) One claim per household. Only one member of a
30 household may file a claim under this Act in any calendar
31 year; where both members of a household are otherwise

1 entitled to claim a grant under this Act, they must agree as
2 to which of them will file a claim for that year.

3 (d) Content of application form. The form prescribed by
4 the Department for purposes of paragraph (a) shall include a
5 table, appropriately keyed to the parts of the form on which
6 the claimant is required to furnish information, which will
7 enable the claimant to determine readily the approximate
8 amount of grant to which he is entitled by relating levels of
9 household income to property taxes accrued or rent
10 constituting property taxes accrued.

11 (e) Pharmaceutical Assistance Procedures. The
12 Department shall establish the form and manner for
13 application, and shall establish by January 1, 1986 a
14 procedure to enable persons to apply for the additional grant
15 or for the pharmaceutical assistance identification card on
16 the same application form. The Department shall determine
17 eligibility for pharmaceutical assistance using the
18 applicant's current income. The Department shall determine a
19 person's current income in the manner provided by the
20 Department by rule.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-533, eff. 8-13-99; 91-699, eff. 1-1-01.)